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### IF HE'D KEPT HIS MOUTH SHUT.

The Times-Union of Tuesday contained a full report of what is termed the "Williams-Lamar Clash of Words" in the House of Representatives, early in the present month. Mr. Lamar's predicament at the close of the discussion is best pictured in this paragraph and story from Mr. Williams' reply:

Now, Mr. Chairman, I have done what I did "in malice to none and in charity to all." I prompted the gentleman who has just taken his seat—the gentleman from Florida—to foreign affairs, which is the fourth most important committee of this house. The committee on rules is first, ways and means second, appropriations third, and foreign affairs fourth, because it deals with international questions and with the affairs of the state department, whose cabinet head is the American premier. Now, if the gentleman had gone along quietly it would have helped him in Florida; it would not have hurt him, and, if I may be excused for telling an anecdote on a grave and dignified occasion, I believe I will tell one. One man died in New York. His body was carried to the morgue. A description of the body was published in the papers. Finally two brothers out in Texas whose father had gone to New York at some time concluded it was their father. The corpse bore their father's name. They were ranchmen and wealthy; so they wired on and said, "the body seems to be the body of so and so; if so, to have the undertaker dress the corpse in a proper manner and enshroud it and they would be up there. They went on up and looked at the corpse, and it looked very much like what their father had been. Now, there was on it one of those undertaker's cloths to keep the lower jaw from dropping down. The cloth in some way became dislocated, and the jaw dropped down, and there fell out of the mouth of the corpse a set of false teeth. Then these boys who had come to New York said: "That is not our father. He never had false teeth; he did not have time to get false teeth, and we decline to pay the funeral expenses," nothing thus far having been done. Then the undertaker had a conversation with the corpse after the boys had left. Said he, "Oh, yes; if you had kept your mouth shut you would have had a first-class funeral (great laugh), conducted in a first-class manner, with all sorts of plumes and feathers and four black horses and a great big metallic casket and a fine hearse and hired mourners, with all the latest embellishments so welcome to the feelings of corpses; but you could not keep your mouth shut, and now you will be buried without any honors and nobody will attend the funeral. They will not even be any hired mourners."

Mr. Chairman, it is seldom, indeed, that intense national interest can be aroused in the exhibition of any man's sores, unless the sores are of a contagious character. Happily for mankind, the sores of injured vanity are never contagious.

### A TRUE DEMOCRAT.

The following definition of a democrat is by Congressman John Sharp Williams, minority leader in the lower house of congress. It occurs in a letter written last summer to Congressman Lamar, whose recently acquired radicalism led to his placing himself in a position where he was made the laughing stock of the entire House of Representatives:

"A true democrat is neither a conservative nor a radical. He is both. He is conservative when it comes to conserving, or preserving, or saving right and democratic and American things. He is radical when it comes to tearing up by the roots radical abuses. He is simply democratic always, and meets each question upon its own merits from a democratic standpoint and solves it with plain common sense. Common sense frequently suggests that a cause can best be carried to success by going slow. Common sense frequently also suggests that a battle can best be won by an impetuous charge. Everything depends upon the condition of the ground, the situation of the enemy and your own forces."

"There is no such thing in my dictionary as a conservative democrat. There is no such thing in my dictionary as a radical democrat. There is just one thing—a democrat. Too many men who call themselves conservatives are really at heart republicans. Too many men who call themselves radical democrats are really at heart populists or socialists, as the case may be—the two things being, by the way, by no means the same thing."

"A party cannot win ultimate success by having its differences emphasized. There are always differences, of course. The way to win ultimate success is to minimize differences, as far as possible without sacrifice of fundamental principle, and to emphasize agreed purposes."

And now comes word that the great election frauds case in Volusia county, wherein the irrepressible and irresponsible Jeems Alexander claimed to have been defrauded of votes, and for neglect to prosecute which Governor Broward recently removed from office Court Solicitor James W. Perkins, has been tried and the deposed solicitor has been exonerated. You see they knew Jeems in DeLand; they knew his post-election claims were on a par with his ante-election predictions of a clean sweep; they knew also that he didn't carry a single election precinct in the district; they knew Jeems only as a standing joke. But the governor took him seriously. He disqualified Judge Stewart from hearing the case and sent Judge Shaylor of Jacksonville up to DeLand to try it. Result: "In ten minutes the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. The defense put in no evidence at all, for the state was un-

able to prove that more votes were cast for Alexander than the returns showed." Now Governor Broward should come out in manly fashion and acknowledge that he has been bamboozled.

The Land Department of the Florida East Coast Railway company has received a diploma and been awarded a gold medal by the president and directors of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition for the best exhibit of citrus fruits and pineapples at the St. Louis Exposition last year. The medal is now being prepared at the U. S. mint and will be forwarded as soon as completed. The Florida exhibit of the East Coast Railway has won over the finest displays of citrus fruit ever gotten together in this country, and the company is entitled to the thanks of every lover of Florida. It is no insignificant thing to down those California exhibitors.

### A HEARTY LAUGH.

It is a Blessing, This Reflex of a Sunshine Soul.

The cold, chilling atmosphere which sometimes pervades a reception or other social gathering is often entirely dissipated by the hearty, ringing laughter of some simple, genuine soul who is bubbling over with fun. The stiffness and constraint which a minute before embarrassed the whole company are relieved as if by magic.

There is something in genuine, spontaneous humor which removes all restraint, scatters embarrassment, relieves tension and welds souls together as no introduction or conversation can. It puts the shy at ease, dissipates prejudice, gives confidence to the timid and reassures the shrinking soul. The cheery smile or the spontaneous laugh awakens sympathy and arouses feelings of friendliness. It seems to melt all barriers.

Oh, what riches live in a sunny soul! What a blessed heritage is a sunny face, to be able to fling out sunshine wherever one goes, to be able to scatter the shadows and to lighten sorrow laden hearts, to have power to send cheer into despairing souls through a sunny and a radiant heart! And if, happily, this heritage is combined with a superb manner and exquisite personality, no money wealth can compare with its value.

This blessing is not very difficult of acquisition, for a sunny face is but a reflection of a warm, generous heart. The sunshine does not appear first upon the face, but in the soul. The glad smile that makes the face radiant is but a glimpse of the soul's sunshine.

—O. S. Marden in Success Magazine.

### UNIQUE FEATS.

Odd Physical Tricks That People Here and There Can Do.

A group of traveling men were discussing unique feats and physical tricks that people here and there can do.

"I know a Chicagoan," said one, "who can whistle a tune and hum its accompaniment at the same time. He whistles through a tin, not through the usual round hole, and the deep, musical accompaniment together with the shrill sweetness of the whistle makes a mighty attractive thing to hear."

"I knew a barber," said the second drummer, "who had a unique way of cracking nuts. He would place a nut between the back of his head and a stone or brick wall, and then he would give himself a sharp rap on the forehead with his fist. The nuts would crack open every time."

"A Manayunk man," said the third, "can give his head a jerk that turns back his eyelids. He has to turn them down again with his fingers. This is an ugly feat, and I'm glad it is rare."

"I knew at school," said the fourth drummer, "a boy named Bucky Adams who could play tunes by snapping his fingers. The thumb and first two fingers of each hand would work away busily, and forth would come the clearest, sweetest, faintest music. I used to sit with Bucky Adams, and many a tedious school session would be made shorter and pleasanter with this odd gift."—New York Press.

### Pure Olive Oil.

If olive oil congeals in freezing weather, it is a sign that it is adulterated with lard. Very few bottles of so called olive oil will stand this simple test—in fact, we seldom get the pure thing, and, if we did, the chances are that we could not eat it. At least, that was the experience once upon a time of one woman who used a great deal of mayonnaise dressing upon her table and had supposed that she doted on olive oil. An Italian friend bestowed upon her a flask of the peculiarly green fluid. To her surprise, not one of her family, herself included, could bear its taste. There was a tang to it which showed them that they had never eaten olive oil before and that they never wanted to eat it again. So they gave the flask away.—New York Telegram.

### Thackeray's Apology.

Thackeray once wrote in a note to a friend, alluding to an incident occasioned by one of his articles in Punch: "I thought over the confounded matter in the railroad and wrote instantly on arriving here a letter of contrition and apology to Henry Taylor for having made what I see now was a flippant and offensive allusion to Mrs. Taylor. I am glad I have done it. I am glad that so many people whom I have been thinking bigoted and unfair and unjust toward me have been right and that I have been wrong, and my mind is an immense deal easier."

### A Great Idea.

"My new play is sure to make a hit," said the great actress. "It gives me an opportunity to display twenty new gowns."

"Gracious!" exclaimed her friend. "How many acts?"

"Only four, but in one of them the scene's at a dressmaker's."—Philadelphia Press.

### Talents.

As to the great and commanding talents, they are the gift of Providence in some way unknown to us. They rise where they are least expected. They fall where everything seems disposed to produce them, or at least to call them forth.—Boswell.

## CAMELS OUTDONE.

Creatures That Go For Extended Periods Without Drinking.

Other creatures than the camel are able to get along for extended periods without drinking. Sheep in the southwestern deserts go for forty to sixty days in winter without drink, grazing on the green, succulent vegetation of that season. Peccaries in the desert of Sonora live in little dry hills where there is no natural water for long periods. They cannot possibly find water in fact, for months at a time. The only moisture they can obtain comes from roots and the fruits of cacti, but the most extraordinary case is that of the pocket mouse, one of the common rodents of the desert. This little creature, by the way, has a genuine fur lined "pocket" on the outside of its cheek. When it is hungry it takes food from this pocket with its paw, just as a man would pull a ham sandwich from his pocket. One of these mice has been kept for three years with no other food than the mixed bird seed of commerce. During this period it had not a taste of either water or green food. Other experimenters have found, in fact, that these mice in captivity refuse such treats, not seeming to know that water is good to drink. The bird seed put before this mouse contained not more than 10 per cent of moisture, which is less than is necessary for digestion. Stuff so dry as this cannot even be swallowed until it is moistened by saliva. Yet this remarkable mouse gave nothing but his time to the interests of science. He suffered nothing in health or spirits during his captivity.—Brooklyn Eagle.

### SYMPATHETIC LISTENERS

The Help They May Afford to Slow and Indifferent Talkers.

At no time more than when a thought is struggling toward expression should a friend bear with a friend's infirmities. A deep sympathy should be poured out with lavish affection about the one who is seriously struggling to say some real thing. In this atmosphere of patient, sympathetic intelligence the inept word, the crude phrase, the wholly inadequate expression will be enabled to do their work, and the thought transference will be effected; the thought will be safely lodged in the mind of the other, slightly bruised in transit, but intact and intelligible. With an "I know what you mean," "Exactly," or "Go on; I understand," much help may be rendered, and at last when the thinker of the thought has placed his friend in possession and by reason of this effort has entered into fuller possession of it himself, the conversation is in a way to begin. Then lavish upon the elaboration of the thought all the beauties that can be woven out of words—precision, balance, music—but let us, dear lovers of language, remember to be discreetly gentle and listen with averted glance while the thought is still in negligence.—Atlantic.

### The Cellars of Bordeaux.

The cobwebs will seem to an impressionable visitor the noblest things in the Bordeaux cellars. Some of them look like thick pile curtains, somber in hue, of course, but famously suggestive of warmth. And with even only a moderate imagination one may go to and fro among the barrels fancying the pendulous shapes overhead are dusky stalactites instead of the dry next to nothing as they really are. If you hold your candle high enough you may shrivel a few yards of the fabric. But that were truly a shocking deed of vandalism, for, though no layman can understand why this dismal tapestry is revered as it is, his ignorance will not be held sufficient excuse for his crime.—Chambers Journal.

### Marriage by Proxy.

In Holland, says a Scotch paper, marriage by proxy is allowed. This is the so-called "marriage by the glove" and is usually put in practice by a Dutchman who is sojourning abroad and, wanting a wife, is too poor or too far off to return home for one. In such a case he writes home to a lawyer, who selects one conformable to the requirements of his client. If the gentleman approves he next sends the lawyer a solled left hand glove and a power of attorney, which settles the business. A friend marries the woman by proxy, and she is thereafter promptly shipped off to her new home.

### What a "Hurricane" Is.

"Hurricane" is the old Spanish name for a West Indian cyclone, but it is used by modern meteorologists to designate a long continued wind of extreme violence. In Beaumont's scale the different winds are classed as "light," "gentle," "fresh" and "strong" breezes. The next is a "stiff" breeze, then a "strong" wind and then we strike the "gales." The "gales" run through three or four classes, the last merging into the "hurricane."

### It Happened In Vineland.

"Shay, off-sher," the man with the liquid burden remarked to the policeman, "shee all 'em hummers runnin' by?" "Sure," replied the policeman good humoredly, "I see them."

"Well, when run'n' six-twenty comesh long shtop it, cause 'at's mine?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Duty.

Duty stands for the most part close at hand, unobscured, simple, immediate. If any man has the will to hear her voice, to him is she willing to enter and to be his ready guest.—Francis Peabody.

The smallest bird cannot alight upon the greatest tree without sending a shock to its timbers. Every mind is at times no less sensitive to the most trifling words.

### A New Application of Scripture.

There was rejoicing in the village at the killing of a pig. Being dead, it was cut up. A neighbor's cat stole secretly into the larder and annexed a piece of pork, which she brought in triumph to her mistress. Next day the clergyman of the parish visited the old woman, who recounted to him the remarkable sagacity of the beast. "It was quite beautiful, sir," she said proudly, "to see the piece of pork brought to my mind what we read in the Bible about Elijah and the ravens."

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### THE SUDAN NATIVES.

They Once Thought White Men to Be Submarine Monsters.

There is a passage in one of the ancient Arab histories to the effect that "the white people come from the other side of the sea." This statement has become so distorted among certain tribes of natives of the Sudan that they believe that the white men come from the bottom of the sea. A wily Arab leader in this district once informed his followers that they had nothing to fear from the white men, as they could not live away from the water. The fact that a high official took his bath daily was further considered confirmatory evidence of the submarine origin of the white man. The Arabs, in order to retain their influence over the natives, spread broadcast the report that the white men were cannibals. The fact that they did not eat black men was explained as due to their devilish cunning. They wanted to make themselves strong in the country before beginning their horrid practices, but as they could not altogether do without this kind of food they brought human flesh with them in cans. In west Africa a French expedition had the unfortunate experience of finding a portion of a human finger-cut off, no doubt, by some accident—in a can of meat. Here was fresh and conclusive confirmation of the story. In which the people had almost ceased to believe, and it was only after a considerable lapse of time that the idea was at length eradicated.—Chicago News.

### QUEER MARRIAGE CUSTOM.

The Malay Bride Has to Have Her Teeth Filled Away.

Some of the national marriage customs of other countries are distinctly quaint and interesting and to us appear curious enough. Our conventional white satin and orange blossoms are certainly traditional, but otherwise we indulge in no real madness apart from the throwing of rice and old shoes.

An instance of a curious marriage custom is that of lower Ceylon, where a cocoanut, which is regarded as a sort of oracle, is sacrificed to the deities and devils as a solemn offering.

In Japan the symbolic girdle, so much more expressive than our simple wedding ring, is the outward sign of marriage, while in Burma the piercing of the ears is the prelude to matrimonial considerations.

In Malaya, however, the poor bride experiences a bad quarter of an hour before her marriage, inasmuch as she has to have her teeth filed down almost to the level of her gums, a process pleasantly painful as well as disfiguring. In spite of this pain, however, she is expected to participate in the wedding dance and festivities generally.—London Standard.

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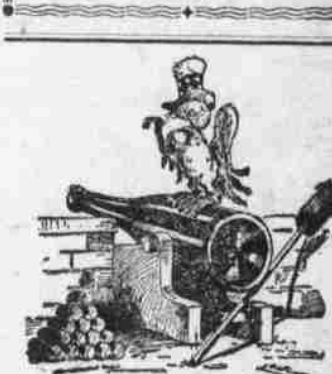
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